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FOR ROLAND CHALLIS, BBC:

I HAVE DECIDED TO RETIRE ON 3 JANUARY. THIS COMES AFTER 33 YEARS WITH THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND HAS BEEN IN MY MIND FOR SOME TIME. MY SUCCESSOR IS EXPECTED TO BE NAMED IN THE NEAR FUTURE, POSSIBLY NEXT WEEK.

THE FBIS RELATIONSHIP WITH BBC HAS ALWAYS HELD A SPECIAL MEANING FOR ME, GOING BACK TO MY TOUR AT CAVERSHAM IN 1956-57. I WISH YOU AND ALL YOUR COLLEAGUES AT BBC MONITORING SERVICE MY BEST WISHES FOR THE FUTURE. I WILL CERTAINLY MISS THE ANNUAL GET-TOGETHERS AND THE SMOOTH RELATIONSHIP WE AND THE BBC HAVE ALWAYS ENJOYED. GOOD LUCK TO YOU ALL.